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Grafton Historical Commission
7:00 p.m., September 24, 2015
Grafton Municipal Center, Conference Room B

A regular meeting of the Grafton Historical Commission was held on August 13, 2015. Chairwoman Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Members Present:

Ruth Anderson, Ann Morgan, David Therrien, Robert Aberg, Mark Fobert

1. Old Business

- A. Minutes – the minutes of August 13, 2015 were presented for review. Ann Morgan moved to accept the minutes. Mark Fobert seconded, motion carried 5-0.
- B. Bills – no bills.
- C. Tercentenary Signs – Ann Morgan stated that the signs are not yet reinstalled.
- D. Gravestone Restoration – Ruth Anderson stated that the double portrait gravestone restoration is not yet complete. John Stephens will follow up.

2. New Business

- A. Fiscal 2016 Project Planning – Ann Morgan moved to table this topic to a later meeting as John Stephens was at the CPC meeting and wanted to be present for this topic. Robert Aberg seconded, motion carried 5-0.
- B. Request for Comments – None.
- C. Other items: Funds -- Ruth Anderson announced that the Historical Commission could apply for various state funds, applications due in October.
- D. Other items: Scenic Roads -- David Therrien questioned who had jurisdiction over the Scenic Highway Act as a town by-law, since the wall cut is in the town

by-law if the town adopts the state's wording of the Scenic Highway Act, and that the Conservation Commission, the Historical Commission, and the Planning Board typically review on Scenic Highway issues. Trees should be covered separately by the Shade Tree by-law.

- E. Other items: Stone Arch Bridge – Ruth Anderson indicated that Bonnie Frederico [not present] had asked about what Steve Roney, Skip Currier, and Ray Mead were going to do.
- F. Other items: Town GIS Layer -- Ruth Anderson indicated that if the Historical Commission supplied a spreadsheet of parcels and a PDF uploader set of pictures, the MHC Macris information for Grafton could be put onto the GIS historic layer by Applied Geographics for a fee estimated around \$500. Ann Morgan stated that the Commission could have a workshop to scan pictures and organize the information, potentially doing it one section of town at a time. Robert Aberg indicated that the layer should include the status such as date of demolition, or date of addition to historic inventory.
- G. Other items: Gas Line -- David Therrien noted that the gas company [Kinder Morgan] will be doing a survey that may include archaeological and historic elements similar to the 1987 survey that was provided to the town library.
- H. Other items: Mill Villages – David Therrien noted that the little bank had several windows broken and will get ¼" wire mesh. Ann Morgan indicated that any events at the bank would need a variance for accessibility.

3. Executive Session

None held.

4. Schedule Next Meeting

Ruth Anderson indicated the next meeting would be October 8, 2015 at 7:00 PM.

5. Adjournment

Ruth Anderson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mark Fobert. Motion carried 5-0. Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:24 PM.

List of Documents Used:

- None

Minutes approved on: January 14, 2016

Submitted by Robert Aberg, Clerk, Grafton Historical Commission

